Department of Permits Approvals and Inspections 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County, Maryland

In the Matter of Civil Citation No. 90697

Ernestine Hyman 2967 Liberty Parkway

Respondent

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FINAL ORDER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

This matter came before the Administrative Law Judge on April 13, 2011 for a Hearing on a citation for violations under the Baltimore County Code (BCC) section 13-4-201 (b)(d), failure to store waste in rodent resistant watertight containers with tight fitting lids on residential property.

On March 22, 2011, pursuant to § 3-6-205, Baltimore County Code, Inspector David Gaine issued a Code Enforcement & Inspections Citation. The citation was sent to the Respondent by 1<sup>st</sup> class mail to the last known address listed in the Maryland State Tax Assessment files.

The citation proposed a civil penalty of \$150.00 (one hundred fifty dollars).

The following persons appeared for the Hearing and testified: Ernestine Hyman, Respondent and David Gaine, Baltimore County Code Enforcement Officer.

Testimony revealed that the Respondent is guilty of storing trash on her property in cans without tight fitting lids. The Respondent testified that she has purchased new cans to be used for putting out her trash. Credit shall be given for the cost of these new cans.

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Having heard the testimony and evidence presented at the Hearing:

IT IS ORDERED by the Administrative Law Judge that a civil penalty be imposed in the amount

of \$150.00 (one hundred fifty dollars).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that \$125.00 of the \$150.00 civil penalty be suspended, with an

immediate \$25.00 fine imposed at this time.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the remaining \$125.00 will be imposed if the property is not

brought into immediate compliance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the remaining \$125.00 will be imposed if there is a subsequent

finding against the Respondent for the same violation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if not paid within thirty days of billing, the civil penalty AND any

expenses incurred by Baltimore County, as authorized above, shall be imposed and placed as a lien

upon the property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the County inspect the property to determine whether the

violations have been corrected.

ORDERED this 25<sup>TH</sup> day of April 2011

Signed: ORIGINAL SIGNED Timothy M. Kotroco

Administrative Law Judge

**NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:** The Respondent is advised that pursuant to §3-6-301(a) of the Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may appeal this order to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals within fifteen (15) days from the date of this order; any such appeal requires the filing of a petition setting forth the grounds for appeal, payment of a filing fee of \$150 and the posting of security in the amount of the penalty assessed.

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